

HOUSE BILL 9064

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 49; Title 50; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71,
relative to restrictions regarding COVID-19.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 21, is amended by adding the following as a new part:

4-21-1101.

As used in this part, "COVID-19" means the novel coronavirus, SARS-CoV-2, and coronavirus disease 2019, commonly referred to as COVID-19, including any mutation of SARS-CoV-2 or COVID-19.

4-21-1102.

An individual may claim an exemption from a vaccination requirement in any law, policy, rule, or other measure requiring an individual in this state to be vaccinated against COVID-19 to enter or gain access to, receive a service from, be employed by an establishment, or obtain a medical procedure based on:

- (1) The individual's acquired immunity against COVID-19 through post-transmission recovery;
- (2) A medical condition; or
- (3) Reasons of conscience, including a religious belief.

4-21-1103.

An employer who violates this part commits a discriminatory practice. An employee whose employer violates this part may bring an action under title 4, chapter 21, part 3 and is entitled to any appropriate remedy pursuant to § 4-21-306.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.